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WAR ECONOMY DAILY GAINS MORE CONCRETE FORM

"Europe Must Federate or Perish" - H. N. BRAILSFORD

BACON BOARD WILL BE APPOINTED AT VERY EARLY DATE

Price Fixing First Applied to Wool -Boards Develop All Plans Carefully

CANE SUGAR AGREEMENT

State Control Boards Are Seeking to Avoid Last War's Mistakes

By M. McDOUGALL (Special to The Western Farm Leader)

OTTAWA, Dec. 13th.—Canada's war economy is daily gaining a more concrete form. It is becoming increasingly clear that the boards that have been functioning in Ottawa, directing the économic phase of Canada's war effort, have been taking full adventage of everginger gained in the advantage of experience gained in the last war.

To Profit by Experience

Taking up the reins immediately after the outbreak of war, these boards have endeavored to put industry under as slight a handicap as possible and at the same time to avoid the faults caused by the energetic but necessarily inexperienced efforts of similar bodies in the early stages of the last war.

The objectives of the present boards have been to mould Canada's economy into a shape that will ensure a constant flow of essential commodities to the Allies, to prevent undue enhancement of prices and to prevent profiteering. It may be that these aims might be applied in particular to the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, but they are the basic objects of all the boards, and it must in all fairness be stated that little adverse criticism' is heard here either of the sincerity of purpose or the achievements of these bodies up to date.

Of course these are wartime bodies, and the full scope of their work does not get automatic publicity in the press. Newspapermen at Ottawa have at times become restive over what they considered the super-tight hold kept on news. At the same time the correspondents have "played the game" from the beginning with the Government, letting out no news that should be withheld. Satisfaction is felt over the appointment of Walter Thompson as Director of Public Information. The object of the creation of the new post is to give the public a more liberal view of the country's war time activities, and no one could have been appointed to the position who enjoys more fully the confidence of the news gathering brotherhood.

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In connection with the work of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, the Canada's end of the bargain to sell forty to fifty thousand hundred-weight (112 pounds per cwt.) or (Continued on page 5)

King George's Christmas broadcast will be heard in Alberta at eight duration of the war. Canada has been o'clock in the morning.

Death Penalty for Sale of Japanese Goods

CHUNGKING, Dec. 13th.—In her desperate fight for foreign trade (and thereby for foreign war supplies) Japan is shipping her products to the world's markets labelled "Made in China," it is stated here. The Chinese Government has imposed the death results are Chinese were have death penalty on Chinese merchants selling Japanese goods in China.

importing its sugar largely from British Guiana, Jamaica, Barbados and Trinidad. The production of these and other sugar exporting parts of the British Commonwealth was taken under the control of the British Government shortly after the war began. Britain, as one of its many and taxing duties in directing its seaborne trafficin wartime, will see that Canada receives the sugar this country requires. Prices each year will be adjusted in accord with conditions obtaining at the time, but the agreement ensures a stable course of sugar prices.

Prompt action taken by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board in the sugar situation, which presented some ticklish questions for solution in September and October, has resulted not only in the agreement with Britain, but in a rise of only one half a cent a pound in sugar since the opening of hostilities compared with a two and a half cent rise in the same period of the last war.

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The wool administrator of the board, David Dick, has also been to confronted with difficulties, which he is surmounting. Measures of conserving stocks, purchases from Commonwealth countries and fixing of prices have aided in providing needed military uniforms and meeting domestic requirements. The action taken in stabilizing the wool industry has its immediate and imperative wartime wartime inflation with its unfortunate aftermath of depression. In fixing the price of certain kinds of wool at 45 cents a pound, the board for the first time exercised its prerogative of price fixing. This power is exercised only when backed by an Order-incouncil.

The Government is now announcing through the press war orders being placed by the War Supply Board. Since the war opened in September these orders given on behalf of the Canadian Government have reached a total of 73 million dollars, including 25 million dollars for railway equipment. All Provinces share in the contracts.

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It is expected that very shortly the bacon board will be appointed to direct Canada's end of the bargain to sell forty to fifty thousand hundred-weight (112 pounds per cwt.) or (Continued on page 5)



Here's a Finnish cavalryman wear-Here's a Finnish cavalryman wearing the white uniform which gives lowest visibility after winter's snowfall covers the terrain. The armies of Finland are equipped with such uniforms. Many have skis, which are especially useful in the kind of guerilla warfare which in many cases they are now fighting.

"Dividend Day"

A "U.F.A. Dividend Day" was arranged by the board of the Pembina U.F.A. Co-operative Association for December 14th, in the U.F.A. Hall at Westlock, the program including a free picture show, addresses by R. M. McCool, northern representative of the U.F.A. Central Co-operative, and Geo. MacLachlan, secretary of the Pembina association, and payment of participation dividends.

Loss of life from the wreck of the Russian vessel *Indigiirka*, on the north coast of Japan, will reach 700, it is feared

LONDON, Dec. 13th.—The first secret session of Parliament since the war of 1914-18 opened today.

ROME, Dec. 13th.—Without presenting his credentials, the new Russian ambassador to Italy left here

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Soviet troops estimated by Reuter's news agency to number 300,000 have been sent into the province of Sinkiang in northwest China since the signing of the Russo-Japanese border truce. Japanese sources say that "a large body of fresh troops and a large number of planes and tanks" have been sent by the Russians to the district round Lake Boirnor, where the clash took place before the armistice. From various other sources it is reported that continued aid of Soviet personnel is being given to the Chinese armies resisting Japan.

Clad for Winter Fighting SINGLE ARMY, AIR FORCE AND NAVY **URGED BY WRITER**

Organ of British Co-operative Movement Publishes Appeal for Federal Union

FOR FUTURE PEACE

"Raise Standards of Backward Agricultural Populations to Level of Industrial Peoples"

LONDON, Eng.—Creation of a Federal Union for Europe with a single Federal army, navy and air force (each of the states, however, retaining probably its own state militia), should be the major war aim of all who are concerned to prevent the recurrence of suicidal general wars, in the opinion of H. N. Brailsford, noted writer on international affairs, as expressed in Reynolds News, official organ of the Co-operative Movement in Britain. "Europe," he declares, "must federate or perish."

Wide Powers of Planning

This supra-national organization, to which member states would surrender a portion of their sovereignty, should undertake, in Mr. Brailsford's judgment, wide measures of international planning.

"If it could control the flow of investment across frontiers," he states, "it could exercise a socially creative influence.

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"The ruling policy should be to raise the standards of the backward agricultural populations, colored as well as white, to the level of the industrial peoples.

"We shall have to use all the persuasion and all the pressure we can muster, for there are many Europeans, at home and abroad, who would rather perish than federate."

Archbishop Supports Federal Union

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Mr. Brailsford's declaration is one
of many made during recent weeks by
persons prominent in the intellectual
life of Britain, including the Archbishop of York, whose broadcast supporting Federal Union some weeks
ago attracted world-wide attention.

Labor Party's Six Principles

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The article was written in a discussion of the Six Principles which the British Labor Party has promulgated, as the basis for any lasting peace. These are:

1. No dictated peace.

2. Recognition of the right of all nations to live and develop their own characteristic civilizations provided they do not infringe on others.

3. Complete abandonment of aggression and armed force.

4. Recognition of the rights of national, racial and religious minorities.

5. Recognition of an international authority superior to individual states.

6. Abandonment of Imperialism.

ALBERTA WHEAT POOL DELEGATES' CONVENTION

vention at 5:00 o'clock on Tuesday, as Pool terminal No. 9. December 5th. This annual meet-Plan Revision of Capital Structure ing of the delegates is the most important event of the year. It is actually an intensive study of Wheat Pool affairs by the elected representatives of the farmer members. It is remarkable in so far as annual meetings of business concerns go because of the completeness of the information furnished and the frankness with which every phase of the business is discussed.

The feature of this year's session was the excellent report presented of the operations of Alberta Pool elevators for the year ending July 31st, 1939. This resulted in a net surplus for the season of \$508,-

The excellent earnings were due to the large handlings, which to-talled 44,506,853 bushels, including 1,127,379 bushels of grain shipped over the platform to Pool terminals. This is an increase over the previous year's handlings of 21,-240,574 bushels.

Fine Elevator System

In addition to the excellent financial showing of Alberta Pool Elevators, the country elevator system has been kept in a good state of repair and the equipment of many country houses has been improved by the installation of larger scale units and airdumps to facilitate the expeditious handling of trucks. The line now is in much better shape than it was eight years ago.

Increased terminal space has been brought about through the

of Alberta wheat producers over the past eight years, the Alberta Wheat Pool has improved its financial position in a substantial At the recent delegates' meeting the directors presented a capital structure of the Pool. Ever since the overpayment in 1929-30 it has been in the minds of the delegates that some such step should be taken. The delay was due to the necessity of first placing the Pool in a satisfactory financial position.

The re-organization of the capital structure will be the first step towards the resumption of dividend payments. Such payments will depend, of course, upon the continuance of extensive patronage U.F.A. and it will prove an aid to of elevator facilities and the har-you in your Wheat Pool work." vesting of good crops. Proposals were presented to pay both interest on reserves and dividends on patwere presented to pay both interest on reserves and dividends on patonage, but the final decision of the Department of Extension at units, what will be done will be made at the University of Alberta, also a special meeting of delegates, to addressed the convention. He be held in January, 1940, and spoke particularly on the School The

Homer Montgomery of Nanton. The delegate body stood in silence for a brief period in memory of three members of the body who passed away during the year, namely, J. D. Madill of Foremost, J. F. Long of Gadsby, and Andrew Holmberg of Viking.

New delegates were introduced, these being: C. Eric Hobbs of Cahern, James A. Baird of Red Willow, Fred L. McFadden of Delia, William G. Urquhart of Islay, and Emile Cammaert of Tudor.

A resolution was passed restricting attendance at the convention to delegates, directors, officials, representatives of affiliated organizations, and members of the Alberta Wheat Pool.

Committees were selected as follows: Resolutions—H. Foreman of Chauvin, Paul H. Redd of Raymond, and A. E. Carey of Barons; Order of Business—C. A. Fawcett of Consort, J. R. Hannaford of Howie, and Joseph Messmer of Barrhead.

Visiting Delegates

J. H. Wesson, chairman of the board of directors of the Saskatche-

The Alberta Wheat Pool dele- purchase of a two million bushel with overproduction of wheat is point similar committees to disgates concluded a seven-day con-terminal at Port Arthur, known through international agreement, cuss the whole question. recovery again after a couple of asked to be discharged. bad years. In 25 days during the John Hallett moved that the Because of the steady patronage bad years. In 25 days during the bushels, a record in Canada.

Norman Priestley, vice-president responsible for lack of action. of the U.F.A., told of the building hopes alive, and also to prove the need for organization," he said. "We have gained experience and farm movement alive. We have

Speaks for Youth

a special meeting of delegates, to be held in January, 1940, and spoke particularly on the school of this will have to be ratified by the Alberta Legislature.

The Alberta Legislature of Convention as a convention of Convention as a convention of Convention of Convention as a convention of Conve that the ordinary educational sys-John Fowlie of Bindloss was tem is not turning out young for the year ending August 31st elected chairman of the convention, and assistant chairmen were John A. Johansen of Woolford and Homer Montgomery of Nanton fells askeds which have been in folk schools, which have been in operation for over 90 years. At the school held at Olds this past summer, registration totalled 125 and average daily attendance 85. The course is planned to develop initiative, individual responsibility, and a new leadership from among young people. Agriculture is at the crossroads. It is up to organized farmers to develop new social philosophies and new leaders among the young people. It is necessary to do this in order to maintain even the present low standard of living on our farms.

Eugene O'Neil, a young man from the Granum district and the first youth to join the Wheat Pool under the amendments to the act passed at the last session of the legislature, which permits accept-ance of new members, addressed the convention and urged that greater attention be paid to the farm youth. He said he had re-ceived inspiration from attending the sessions, and thought that more farm boys should be enabled to do so.

Special Report

John Fowlie and J. R. Hannawan Wheat Pool, addressed the ford gave a report on the Pool-meeting. He said farmers should U.G.G. amalgamation proposal. concern themselves with what may These two were made members of develop after the war. Prolonged a committee at the 1938 delegates' war may use up the surplus wheat, meeting when they were instructed but overproduction is bound to to request that the delegate bodies return in that and other lines. of the Manitoba and Saskatchewan The only logical way of dealing Wheat Pools and the U.G.G. ap-

Mr. Wesson stated that the Sas- other delegate bodies had failed katchewan Wheat Pool is making to take action and the committee

present fall the Pool elevators in Alberta Pool board of directors that Province handled 53 million continue negotiations with the bushels, a record in Western U.G.G. Some delegates said that U.G.G. officials said the Pools were

Lew Hutchinson, chairman of tentative plan to re-organize the up of a distributive co-operative the board of directors of the service by the U.F.A. in areas of Alberta Wheat Pool, stated that great economic distress. This the main difficulty lay in the set-up agency has been built up at no of the U.G.G. He outlined three capital cost to the farmers, and tentative propositions: 1. That \$107,000 has been distributed in the three Pools and the U.G.G. dividends. "We have done some-amalgamate in one giant grain thing to keep farmers' ideals and handling company; 2. That the hopes alive, and also to prove the Alberta Wheat Pool join with the U.G.G.; and 3. That the U.G.G. break its organization into three knowledge, and have kept the provincial units, each of which could amalgamate with the Proshown it is possible to revive the vincial Pool. Mr. Hutchinson said the first two propositions were unsatisfactory. As regards the third, the U.G.G. had not as yet expressed itself as willing to divide organization into provincial

Canadian Pool Agencies

The report of Canadian Pool Agencies, a subsidiary organiza-tion conducting an insurance business, was read to the delegates. It showed net operating surplus

Resolutions

A resolution providing for twoyear terms for the directors was defeated.

A resolution expressing the opinion that the operations of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange are not satisfactory to the producers was passed.

A resolution was passed urging the Federal Government to provide prices for agricultural products which will be as near as possible to a parity with the prices of all other commodities which enter into the cost of production of such foodstuffs.

Endorsation of the Canadian Chamber of Agriculture was given in another resolution, with the assurance of substantial financial support from the Alberta Wheat

At meetings of the delegates of the respective districts, the board of directors were all returned.

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CO-OPERATIVE ACTIVITIES WILL KEYNOTE FARM CONVENTION

Keynote of proceedings at the Annual Convention of the United Farmers of Alberta, to be held in the Macdonald Hotel, Edmonton, from Tuesday, January 16th to Friday, January 19th, inclusive, will be the consideration of means to apply the principles of cooperation in practice in the farm field. Membership in the Association has increased substantially, and this will, it is anticipated, be reflected in increased attendance of delegates and visitors.

visitors.

Following addresses of welcome by Following addresses of welcome by Lieut.-Governor Bowen and Mayor Fry at 9:30 on Tuesday, President Gardiner will deliver his annual address, and Mrs. Malloy Berger will deliver her address as President of the U.F.W.A. George Thring, President of the Junior U.F.A. will give his

address to the Senior Convention at this time.

Important Addresses

Tuesday evening Hon. J. E. Brownlee, K.C., LL.D., will speak on "Whys Farmers Should Organize," and on Wednesday afternoon A. W. Ricker, editor of the Farmers' Union Herald of St. Paul, Minnesota, official organ of the Farmers' Union for Minnesota, Wisconsin, North and South Dakota and Montana, will give an address on Co-operative Buying of Farm Supplies through the Farmers' Union Central Exchange at St. Paul, and its many branches. Wednesday evening Mr. Ricker, will speak on "The Agricultural Policy of the Roosevelt Administration."

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U.F.A. Locals as Study Groups

Farm interests are many sided. There are problems of production—a whole field of technical matters into which science is entering with ever-increasing importance. There are matters concerning community welfare which require organization and oversight. There are economic questions which necessitate wider contacts and can only be dealt with by mobilizing rural people into association with each other on a large scale so as to bring the weight of numbers to bear on public opinion and public authority, even into the field of international affairs. Then there are the relaxations, amusements and cultural interests of farm people.

Valuable work has been done by hundreds of U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Locals in developing interest in all things pertaining to agriculture.

Our farm organization must continue to lead the way in applying intelligence to these many aspects of country life in Alberta.

To assist our local groups in this task the U.F.A. Executive has issued the suggested program printed below. Copies have gone out to all secretaries. Extra copies may be obtained upon application.

LET YOUR OWN CENTRAL OFFICE HELP YOU

Discussion or Debate

Discussion on Municipal Affairs. Warble and Bot Fly Eradication.

Report of delegate re U.F.A. Convention and Co-op. activities. Seed Requirements. Membership Drive.

Necessity of cost of production for the farmer. Care of farm machinery, repairs, etc. Continuation of membership drive.

The necessity of a garden. Poultry—production, marketing, etc.

General Weed problems. Provincial and Market Roads.

Community welfare—picnics, farm outings, etc. Our Co-operative efforts, buying or selling.

What is wrong with Agriculture? Methods of harvesting and threshing.

Education, Larger School Divisions, New Curriculum, etc. Prices for Threshing or Combining.

Markets and prices for farm produce. Farm improvements, Dams, Dugouts, Root Cellars.

Fall cultivation for grasshoppers and weed control. Better farm buildings and their financing.

Report of president and secretary of Local. Prepare program for winter. Economic policy of the farmer.

Consideration of resolutions and election of delegate for the Annual Convention.

Christmas preparation for the Community.

Buying Activities

Coal, Derris Powder, Sur-shot, Poultry Feeds, etc.

FEBRUARY

Fence Posts, Barbed Wire, Electric Fence, Farm Chemicals.

MARCH

JANUARY

Fuel and Lubricating Oils, Greases, Ceresan, Garden Seeds, Baby Chicks, Formaldehyde, Paint, Water Softeners, Nursery Supplies.

APRIL

Baby Chicks, Grasshopper and Gopher Poison, Tires and Tubes, Batteries, Automobile Accessories.

MAY

Petroleum Products, Fencing Materials.

JUNE

Mills Wire Weeders, Petroleum Products, Stationary Machinery.

Binder Twine, Oils and Greases, Early Fruits.

AUGUST

Apples and Other Fruits, Implement Repairs, Batteries, Lumber.

SEPTEMBER

Truck Tires and Tubes, Batteries, Radios, Lumber, Automobile Accessories, Winter Apples.

OCTOBER

Wind Electrics, Farm Lighting Plants, Gasoline, Washing Machines, Stock Salts, Coal, Winter Apples.

NOVEMBER

Coal, Poultry Feeds, Stock Feeds, Antifreeze, Radios,

DECEMBER

Coal, Antifreeze, Automobile Accessories.

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PART OF GIGANTIC PROBLEM

Speaking in Calgary during the Alberta Wheat Pool Convention, Glenn J. Talbott, President of the North Dakota Farmers' Union, declared:

In North Dakota we have come to know that there is no farm problem as such. What we have historically designated as a farm problem, is only one part of a gigantic problem in national and international economics; and that the particular problems of farmers, in our mechanized civilization, are so interwoven with the problems of finance, capital, industry, business and labor that no part of this great problem may be permanently solved unless and until measurable success is attained in solving the total problem.

All who have given serious thought to the grave problems which face the agricultural industry must have reached this conclusion. That is why men of wide vision, capable of seeing the field of economic and industrial life as a whole, always prove to be the soundest leaders in the farm movement itself, and why it is necessary for every member of a farm organization who hopes to serve his day and generation well, to take a broad view of the responsibilities of citizenship.

As the tragic events in Europe and in Asia have made clear, agriculture must be deeply concerned with the issues of foreign policy; with the dangers of perverted nationalism; with the tasks of reconstruction which must face our civilization after hostilities shall have been ended.

But while this is true, it is also equally true that unless the farm people organize their forces effectively—in co-operative enterprises, in primary associations for the study of their problems, local, provincial and national—they cannot hope to prove effective in the larger field. That Mr. Talbott fully recognizes. He is the head of an organization which with an increasing measure of success, is grappling with the day-to-day problems of the farmers, as the U.F.A. and the co-operative buying and farmers' commercial companies are doing in this Province and throughout the West.

The first step which a farmer (or any other citizen for that matter) can take to make his citizenship effective, is to join with his fellows in the building up of his own local community, and in studying, in his own community in association with his neighbors, the problems of our day.

That is why we would urge every Alberta farmer and farm woman who has not already done so, to join at once the local unit of the farmers' primary organization and the local co-operative.

MISTAKEN "OPTIMISM"

Illustrating the manner in which the desire of some newspapers to give an optimistic account, during the fall, of the value of the crops being harvested, may lead to the use of exaggerated figures, Henry Martel of Falher has forwarded to us a news item clipped from the Edmonton Journal of October 27th last, which carried the heading, "North Farmers Get \$3,000,000 as Half Grain Crop Marketed," and the sub-heading, "4,103,599 Bushels Shipped Out Over N. A. R. Lines."

Mr. Martel points out that the farmers had not received anything like the amount of money named, as freight charges from the Peace River country average 22 cents a bushel, while the grain shipped was not all of the higher grades.

"The average received by the farmers", states Mr. Martel, was "only \$2,047,319, and maybe lower."

Mr. Martel points out that "in our district (Falher) 60 per cent of the crop has been a failure, and ranged from 3 to 11 bushels, averaging under 8 bushels," and "petitions have been sent to the Alberta Department of Agriculture asking our share of the relief provided for by the Dominion Government."

"Hitler has his plans for building up an economic organization of Europe that will serve his own ambitions and make him her master. It is the task of those statesmen who can think of a Europe that is to be both politically free and economically prosperous, to prepare for generous collaboration on a different plan. The Anglo-French co-operation that is now to be established should be a first step towards that end. It should help the democracies to win the war, but it should also help them to find an answer that is both liberal and constructive to the hard questions set to modern

"COLLECTIVISM IN THE LIGHT"

H. G. WELLS, in New Statesman and Nation

"Under the war stresses of this time, which show no signs of immediate alleviation, life is being collectivised with extraordinary rapidity. In every country, not merely under the dictators, but everywhere, the control of food and housing, of staple commodities, of great industries and transport, is being taken over by the State. I doubt if it will ever be possible to restore the old go-asyou-please system again. But this means a vast increase in the responsibility of those in control, and there can be little question of the inadequacy of the politicians, leaders and rulers, into whose hands these things are falling. Only one thing can control them, and that is an enlightened public opinion.

"I do not think the world can escape collectivism, but unless we insist upon the supreme necessity of free criticism, universal instruction, free publication, free discussion, it will be collectivism in the dark. . . .

"In Britain and America you have collectivism coming on in the twilight, because their schools are poor, their universities timid and inadequate, and their newspapers irresponsible. The plain need of the world is light and more light. The slogan that should unite all the intelligence in the world is 'Collectivism in the light.'

"Are the creative and intellectual workers, the universities, the teachers, the hunters of knowledge and wisdom to be at the beck and call of obscure government officials obeying the behests and even anticipating the wishes of some gangster adventurer, some financial trickster or some vote-wangling politician. . . .

"Is an enlightened world public opinion, instructed and sustained by a great educational renascence, to rule a world reborn, or are these adventurers to be left free, by our silences and our disorganization, to destroy mankind? The whole intellectual life of man revolts against this intolerable, insufferable murderous nuisance, the obsolescent national State. A world revolution to a higher social order, a collectivist world order, or utter downfall lies before us all."

Europe by its economic difficulties."
—Manchester Guardian.

AN ESSENTIAL "WAR AIM"

"Economic federation is essential, whatever is done about national cultures. The principal job of the new peace will be neither to restore nor to redraw boundaries, but to attend to those world problems that are more important than frontiers, no matter how few or how many colors are painted on the map."—George Soule in The New Republic.

DECLARES PROFIT SYSTEM IS CAUSE **FARMERS' POVERTY**

U. S. Farm Leader Describes Cause of Insecurity on Farms and in City

SPEAKS IN CALGARY

Co-operative System Provides Only Solution of World Problem, States Talbott

Declaring that the paradox of poverty, unemployment, mortgaged farms and economic insecurity in the midst of plenty, are the inevitable outcome of the profit system, Glen J. Talbott, president of the North Dakota Farmers' Union, addressing the annual convention of the Alberta Wheat Pool at an evening gathering, declared that this paradox can only be ended by the substitution of co-operation for the competitive system.

Combines Idealism with Practicality

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In his address, Mr. Talbott, a young
man who a few years ago succeeded
his father in the presidency of the
North Dakota farm organization, revealed a combination of social idealism
with a firm grasp of practical realities,
and unusual power of simple, clear
expression. The address was an outstanding event of the week, alike for
the delegates and visitors who had the
opportunity to hear it and for those
who heard it over the air. Lew Hutchinson, chairman of the Board of the
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Alberta Wheat Pool, presided at the gathering.

Mr. Talbott described the practical means by which the Farmers' Union of North Dakota has become a major factor in the agricultural life of his state—carrying on an effective policy of education in co-operative principles and building up marketing and purchasing farm co-operatives. This was of especial interest, as was also his discussion of the various problems with which in the course of their development, these co-operatives have been confronted. For the problems of farmer co-operatives are in essentials similar in the United States Middle West and in Western Canada.

Philosophy of Farmers' Union

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In opening, Mr. Talbott stated:
In order that you may understand our organization and what we seek to do, I shall give you a brief summary of our economic philosophy.

We have, in the United States, all the elements necessary for Utopia—almost unlimited natural resources—fertile valleys and plains, great deposits of minerals, metals and oil. We have farmers, trained for generations in the art of wresting from the soil mountainous quantities of food and fiber; we have specialized workers in every line. We have more modern labor-saving machinery than any other country in the world. And—in our political life, we have a representative form of government, of the people, by the people and for the people. Surely we have everything necessary for the greatest happiness, comfort and well-being of all our people.

Why Are Farmers Bankrupt?

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Why, then, is this not the case?
Why are the farmers of the nation bankrupt; their credit exhausted; their purchasing power depleted until they can enjoy only a most meager existence; 53 per cent of the land operated by tenants and sharecroppers and the balance mortgage-ridden?

Why do we find eight to ten million industrial workers idle—denied even the opportunity to earn a living for themselves and their families, with other millions employed part time and at wages so low that their living standard is below that of Mexican peons?

Why do we find the paradox of vast natural resources, trained labor, efficient agriculture, the best mechines

that science can develop—potential plenty for all, on the one hand—and on the other hand millions of idle, hungry people, inadequately clothed and poorly housed—mortgage foreclosures and bankruptcy the order of the day, and the grim spectre of economic insecurity at the right hand of more than two-thirds of our population? The answer to these questions is being most widely sought. Farm organizations, labor organizations—the organizations of business and professional men are seeking the answer. Cabinet officers, the Congress—and the President of the United States—seek the answer to it, and regard it as the most important question which confronts America today.

At Roots of Economic System

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We of the Farmers' Union believe the answer to this problem lies right at the roots of our economic system; a system of economic feudalism as old a system of economic feudalism as old as civilization, foundationed on the theory of private ownership, of all the means of processing and distribution. These facilities are operated for the specific purpose of creating profits and concentrating wealth.

Through the consolidation of many smaller corporations into fewer and fewer giant corporations we continue

smaller corporations into fewer and fewer giant corporations, we continue to perfect this system; and through organization of holding companies, we continue to concentrate more power and economic control over our lives into still fewer hands. While so doing, we perfect the ability of the system to exact greater profits and to still further concentrate those profits. But we have overlooked one thing—concentrated wealth can only mean depleted purchasing power.

This system operates for just one purpose—profit. FOR THAT PURPOSE, it is a perfect system. We believe it must inevitably do exactly what it has done—concentrate wealth with the resultant destruction of mass

with the resultant destruction of mass purchasing power.

Problem of Balanced Purchasing Power

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Power

We cannot continue a program of mass production, unless we solve the problem of balanced purchasing power, so that we may enjoy mass consumption of the good things we produce. The so-called profit system cannot and will not solve that problem.

To illustrate: Assume that we can produce 100 billion dollars' worth of new wealth each year; but during the process of production and distribution, the system collects a 10 per cent profit, or 10 billion dollars, over and above legitimate costs. This, then, means that our people have produced 100 billion dollars' worth of goods and services for which they have received only 90 billion dollars. Obviously it is impossible to buy back 100 billion dollars' worth of goods and services with a 90 billion dollar acome—the result, a 10 billion dollar anome—the result, a 10 billion dollar anome—the result, a 10 billion dollar anome—the profit system can always loan back to the people the 10 million dollar profit, taking mortgages against property and thereby balancing production and consumption.

When Loaning of Profits Must End

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The process of loaning the profits created by this system back to the great mass of people who are victimized by it, can go on only until the people have exhausted their capital structure; when they no longer have collateral on which to borrow. WE arrived at that point in 1929. By 1933 we felt the full weight of the surplus goods, dammed up, by our lack of purchasing power. 14 to 16 million men unemployed, agriculture bankrupt, business organizations and banks collapsing by the thousands; all of this because we had not foreseen that wealth cannot be endlessly concentrated without destroying purchasing power.

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The Farmers' Union believes the answer to this economic problem lies in the co-operative movement.

All of our business co-operatively owned and co-operatively operated—not for profit, but for service and quality goods at cost.

Dividend Based on Patronage

And if in the operation of our internal commerce, margins should be so wide as to permit a 10 per cent saving, or concentration of wealth, then the co-operative system declares a dividend, based, not on stock ownership, but on patronage. Thus it redistributes all concentrated purchasing power, and maintains always a balance between production and consumption.

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Thus, and only thus, do we of the Farmers' Union believe we can protect our democratic form of government, and permanently solve the economic problem of Agricultufe and of America.

With this brief analysis of our economic philosophy perhaps our programme of education, co-operation and legislation may be more readily understood.

OTTAWA LETTER
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5,600,000 lbs. at the higher total, of bacon weekly to Britain at a price of \$20.18 per cwt. F.O.B. Canadian ports. It is believed here that the Canadian farmer with the experience he has gained of the particular needs of the British market in the past six or seven years, will be perfectly capable of carrying out his end of the agreement, and that a rate for processing satisfactory to all concerned can be arranged with the packers. Care will have to be exercised by the board, in deciding on seasonal prices to farmers, to see that a quantity of bacon uniform with that delivered in autumn months will be delivered in the spring.

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It is the uniformity of shipments throughout the year that will be needed. Hitherto the additional cost of raising hogs in winter months has been a determining factor in deliveries. The board will probably have to overcome this difficulty through an equitable adjustment of seasonal prices. Canadian bacon deliveries have of Canadian bacon deliveries have of course assumed a position of increased importance through the difficulties of countries.

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A Christmas Message from the President

T is again my privilege to send one and all Christmas and New Year Greetings. The conflict which is now raging must bring to each of us more deeply than ever before the true significance of the Anniversary we are about to celebrate; also we feel that unless we are successful in this conflict we shall witness the destruction of all that Christmas stands for, in fact all the really worth while things we have striven for during the last thousand years, expressed in the words, personal and religious freedom.

Individuals under Democracy are free to work out their own salvation in contradistinction to those governed by the philosophies of Totalitarian states. Under Democracy you do not exist for the State, while Fascism and Hitlerism consider the individual is nothing and that the State is everything. In fact we are in this war to preserve Christian Civilization.

Ruthless Aggression

We witness the ruthless aggression of militarist leaders who are in Finland. But the spirit of these nations can never be extinguished by brutality. All that is best will survive and out of the ashes will some day arise a greater Poland and Finland and Finland will yet build bigger and better Co-operatives.

History has shewn clearly that Nations who live by the sword perish by the sword, greed for world power has always proven the undoing of militarist states. A grab here, a quick thrust there, seems the order of the day, but they have forgotten the time factor, relying solely on the myth or short decisive wars, which, in reality, are blunder upon blunder. Such wars have always reduced the nations which very low price was caused by the wage them first to impotence and ultimately to suicide, and this brings accumulation of surplus reported me to the thought I have in mind.

I have written CO-OPERATION akin to CHRISTIANITY. Christianity, which lays stress on Co-operation, is not only sound morals, but sound common sense, disapproving of pugnacity, acquisitiveness and brutality, traits which are not only anti-social and misery promoting, but also biologically disastrous. And so, as Co-operators, we may not only be hopeful but really optimistic as to the outcome of this struggle.

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Should I Support Our Own Dairy Co-operative, "Central Alberta Dairy Pool"?

By J. H. CRAWFORD, Director, C.A.D. Pool

PREFACE: For subject matter under this heading I am going to deal with the recent advance in Butter Prices.

WHY BUTTER ADVANCED

While considering how best to explain the rapid advance in butter prices, I came across a short story about Abraham

Lincoln which illustrates my point of view.

Taking No Chances: Abraham Lincoln when practising law in Springfield, was one day visited by a fellow who had We withess the ruthless aggression of militarist leaders who are law in Springfield, was one day visited by a fellow who had out for world power, hurling devilish hordes of barbaric insanity against defenceless civilians, turning peaceful homes into a perfect. Hell on Earth, raining death upon cities, towns and villages in an endeavor to shatter the morale of the civilian population of a peaceful had him tell the whole story, then turning to the man he endeavor to shatter the morale of the civilian population of a peaceful said: "Well, you have a pretty good case of technical law, neighbor; and this is but a meagre picture of the frightfulness which but a pretty bad one in equity and justice. You'll have to has been wrought in Poland and is now reported to be taking place get some other fellow to win the case for you, I couldn't do it. All the time while talking to the jury I'd be thinking to myself, 'Lincoln, you're a liar' and I believe I should forget myself and say it out loud."

in storage and the fear that we would be unable to market these

surpluses profitably.

Most of the butter that had gone into storage was being held by firms who under normal conditions storage at a cost to the holder of about 22 to 22-1/2c per lb. This system of purchase and storage for future needs cannot be called entirely speculation. chased off the market in the regular or put in storage by the smaller creameries, in regular amounts weekly during the heavy production period, April to Sep-

On the first day of September most of the big processors and distributors had their storage requirements and were depending upon current make, which usually came on to the market from the smaller creameries, for sufficient butter to supplement the declining make due to the seasonable decline in the production of milk on the

An Unusual Condition: When war was declared the local or small creameries decided to withhold their butter from the market, hoping that if there was the usual increase in price following the declaration of war, they would be able to make a profit in their current holdings and in this way

Up to the end of August of this recoup some of the losses in the year and before the beginning of past two years. This holding of the war, the price of butter and butter off the current market of cream for butter purposes was created an unusual condition. The between 19c and 20c per lb. This distributors wanted butter and placed their orders with the brokers, but no butter was forthcoming to supply the need or demand. Butter advanced about 1c the first day with practically no sales. The orders were left with the brokers for the following day with more orders coming, but no butter being usually store butter to supply their sold. The pyramiding of orders retailers during the time that the and no sales resulted in butter production of cream was low. It advancing approximately 1c per was purchased and was held in day. The law of supply and demand was functioning, with the resultant increase in price. took place the first few days in September and resulted in an advanced wholesale price to 27-1/2c.

At this same time the report on the year's production revealed that there was a decline of about 6,500,000 lbs. in the production of 1939, as against the production in 1938. It was also reported by the trade that stocks were low and that there was a danger of short-At this point we must re-

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member that the reported surpluses over home market requirements in 1938 were approximately 16,000,-000 lbs. No one attempts to explain what has happened to the other 9,500,000 lbs. which together with the 6,500,000 lbs. decrease in production would make up the surplus of 16,000,000 lbs. that we had in 1938. It apparently had disappeared in thin air. Of course it may have been absorbed in increased consumption created by

low price levels.

Now the problem that is worrying the dairy farmers is, why depressed prices supposedly caused by the surplus during the production period, April to August, and now the sudden disappearance of our surplus practically over night, and the fear of shortage and why? Can these figures be juggled to suit the appropriate of juggled to suit the convenience of the holders of butter, or was there a real error as to the reported

holdings?

Why Producer is Angry: The results are the same as far as the farmer is concerned. He was obliged to sell his cream at low prices during the production period and he now sees the same cream sold at much higher prices in the form of butter, with someone else apparently making unusual profits. These conditions make the farmer angry. He has been sorely pressed for sufficient money to pay his current expenses over the last tenyears due to very low farm prices, and he feels that if there must be an increase in price during the unusual conditions created by War, he is entitled to the advance in he is entitled to the advance in price. He believes that the consuming public will be satisfied to pay a fair price for butter if they can be assured that the farmer gets his just share. He also feels that the present situation very definitely supports his contention that his efforts to secure a system that his efforts to secure a system of orderly marketing were justified.

I am strongly of the opinion that as we study more carefully the present system of marketing we have for years sold our products under, it becomes more and more apparent that orderly marketing by the producers' organizations is sounder and quite definitely is to

his advantage.

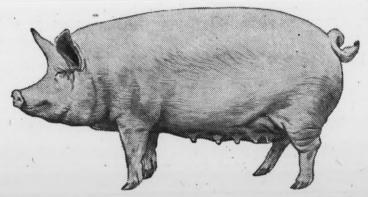
There is a growing feeling among producers that they should be in a position to enjoy more of the benefits created by such developments as recited above. As a director of your Dairy Pool I am con-vinced of the influence and power we can have and exert by more thoroughly supporting our own Organizations. Let us do that, commencing now, and get our neighbor to do the same.

Last year there were 8,404,688 members of co-operative societies in the British Isles, with average purchases of more than £31.

Free school lunches, every school day of the year, for 5,000,000 undernourished children of the U.S.A., form part of the program of the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation for the present school year. Much of the work is being done by W.P.A. workers.

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EXERCISE: A first essential. It may be necessary to force sows to take sufficient exercise. Feeding at some distance from sleeping quarters is effective.

FEEDING: Sows should be kept in thrifty condition. If the sow is too fat, uneven litters and weak litters may result. If too thin, she will be unable to nurse the litter properly.

MINERALS: In some localities the feeding of minerals to pregnant sows is essential. Particularly is this so where hairlessness has occurred or where lime is known to be lacking.

Reliable information on all phases of hog production can be secured from your Agricultural College or nearest Experimental Farm.



GRICULTURAL SUPPLIES COMMITTEE Dominion Department of Agriculture

Current News from Near and Far

Nov. 30th.—Declining the offer of the U.S. to mediate in the dispute with Finland, Russian planes bombed Helsingfors (Helsinki in Finnish language) and Viborg (Vijpuri) and towns in the far north; Russian warships seized Finnish islands, and infantry advanced over the borders. Chamberlain expressed the "deep regret" of the British Government over the invasion.

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Dec. 1st.—Russians seize Finnish Arctic seaport, Petsamo; further bombing of cities, with 30 casualties in Helsingfors, reported. Finns announce sinking of Russian warship (later cast in doubt). U.S.S.R. news agency states Finnish "people's government" set up, while in Helsingfors Cabinet resigns, new coalition government formed to resist invasion and to attempt further negotiations with the U.S.R. Roosevelt says invasion threat to rights of mankind to self-government. Allies postpone start of blockade against German exports until December 4th, for convenience of December 4th, for convenience of neutral vessels. British call up 250,000 men of 20 to 23 years of age.

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Dec. 2nd.—Finns report recapture of Petsamo, and claim victory over Russian troops near properties of International Nickel; Russians advance on other points; Russian vessel reported sunk, and some Russian planes brought down. Negotiations with Russia attempted through Swedish intermediaries. British tanker sunk off southeast coast of England. Two German vessels captured, three neutral merchantmen sunk. Roosevelt asks U.S. munitions makers not to sell to nations guilty of "unprovoked bombing." Berlin report states majority of German universities closed.

Dec. 3rd.—British bombers report

condemns Russian invasion of Finland. Finland asks assistance of League of Nations. U.S. declares willingness to join Latin American replublies in Pan-American condemnation of Russian invasion. Paris states 28 German planes shot down on Western Front in two weeks ending November 23rd. British steamer torpedoed in North Sea; Admiralty reports loss of 10,086-ton Doric Star in South Atlantic, fate of crew unknown. crew unknown.

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Dec. 6th.—Finns receive 50 or more planes from Italy, it is believed via Germany; London despatch states British planes and other war materials will be sent to Finland. Finns claim 64 Russian tanks destroyed and total of 2,000 Russians taken prisoner. Russians occupy Hoagland. German plane crashes near English coast; German liner taken in South Atlantic. 8,000-ton British steamer lost, and Danish vessel mined. German newspaper says "England's power has brought German overseas trade to complete standstill."

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Dec. 7th.—Russian ships attack Finland's coast while troops continue drives on north shore of Lake Ladoga and in far north approaching to within 22 miles of Viborg. German planes driven from over Firth of Forth; German raiding parties driven back on Western Front; British trawler sunk by mine; 8,000-ton Dutch steamer lost; Holland warned by Germany that her neutrality will be compromised if she continues trading with Britain. French announce completion of second Maginot line of defences behind first line. Chamberlain states secret sitting line. Chamberlain states secret sitting of House of Commons to be held December 13th.

pec. 3rd.—British bombers report direct hits" on German warships near Heligoland.

Dec. 4th.—King George lands in France, on visit to troops. Severe snowstorm aids Finns in resistance to Russians; report many invaders drowned in attempting to cross lakes. German shoot 300 Poles in Gdynia, states report from Paris.

Dec. 5th.—Finnish air raid on Murmansk destroys 60 Soviet planes, claims Stockholm despatch. Sweden begins partial mobilization. Halifax

tion in Poland. British retailers start unofficial rationing of sugar, one pound per person per week.

Dec. 9th.—British capture 19th German merchantmen; 17 sunk to date, in most cases by Nazi crews to prevent capture. Japanese freighter believed lost, Danish vessel sunk in North Sea; two British vessels lost, one torpedoed, the other destroyed by explosion. Finns repulse Russian attempt to land troops at Petsamo: receive 30 planes from Britain. London report, states, rebellion against receive 30 planes from Britain. London report states rebellion against Russian authorities in Western Ukraine, Poland. League of Nations Assembly to meet December 11th, to consider Finland's appeal. Some fighting reported on Western Front. British Labor Party condemn Russian invasion of Finland. Hunger and disease and hardship cause great misery in ruined city of Warsaw.

Dec. 10th .- Two small neutral vessels, one Dutch and one Swedish, sunk. King George returns to England from visit to forces in France.

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Dec. 11th.—League of Nations asks Russia to accept League mediation, within 24 hours. British troops in front line trenches in France, for first time. Their positions are in advance of Maginot Line. Heavy fighting reported in Finland, just south of Arctic circle, in Russian drive through country. Volunteers from Scandinavian and Baltic countries aid Finns. Two German planes sighted over England, driven off. Loss announced of one British minesweeper and five merchant ships, four of them, long overdue, now given up. One Greek and one Norwegian vessel torpedoed. Dutch motorship mined and Swedish vessel sunk by explosion. Germans order inhabitants of villages near Luxembourg border to evacuate, states Brussels despatch.

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Dec. 12th.—Russian advances into Finland, in heavy fighting, now reported to reach 40 to 60 miles at two points. Conflicting reports from different sources, one stating Finns burning all possible as they retreat, to make them useless to Russians, another, which seems less credible, that Russians burn towns as they occupy them. Finnish state German freighter sunk by Russian submarine. British repulse German attack on small scale on Western Front. Bremen reaches German waters, shortly after British submarine sighted her but refrained, it is stated, from attack without warning. Swedish vessel mined Dec. 12th.—Russian advances into refrained, it is stated, from attack without warning. Swedish vessel mined and British vessel lost in North Sea. Four German ships awarded to Britain by prize court. Moscow's reply to League Assembly, after expiry of time limit, refused mediation on grounds no war exists against Finnish people or the new "people's government" the U.S.S.R. recognizes. Britain and France promise aid to Finns in form of munitions, and South American countries in foodstuffs and other supplies. supplies.

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Dec. 13th.—Argentina expected to move for Russia's expulsion from League, China and Latvia to oppose. Russians report capture of Salla, 45 miles within borders of Finland. Finns state many Russian soldiers die of exposure. Germany is doing utmost to prevent supplies reaching Finland, states London report. British Air Secretary Wood states new powerful aircraft being produced. \$20,000,000 order for bombers given in U.S. by British commission. Heaviest fighting on Western Front in two weeks, no change in positions. Italian press demands colonies for Italy, now "Britain's prisoner in the Mediterranean." "Security patrol" of British planes over German air bases, begun last night, designed to prevent minelaying aircraft from taking off. Total of 2,000,000 tons German shipping held up in neutral ports; total tonnage British merchant ships lost to date 340,000, of which 290,000 replaced in various ways. New Swedish coalition government expresses sympathy with Finland but reiterates neutrality. League committee drafts resolution naming Russia aggressor and suggests aid to Finland. Russian representative withdraws from Geneva, it is reported.

Starts Third Term



Lew Hutchinson, of Duhamel, re-elected for a third term as chairman of the Board of Directors of the Alberta Wheat Pool. Chris Jensen of Magrath re-elected Vice-Chairman; George Bennett, Mannville, Ben S. Plumer, Bassano, form, with the chairman, the central executive.

Crop bonus payments to farmers of the Prairie Provinces will total over \$5,000,000, Hon. J. G. Gardiner said in Regina on Tuesday.

George McCullagh, publisher of the Toronto Clobe and Mail, whose recent broadcasts have won him some fame and some notoriety, has joined the active force of the R.C.A.F.

Fritz Kuhn, leader in the German-American Bund, was sentenced to prison for from two and a half to five years after conviction on charges of grand larceny and forgery.

Of the enemy aliens interned since the outbreak of war, 46 have been released, 32 after their appeals had been heard. Over 100 further appeals are now under consideration.

Princess Louise, Duchess of Argyll, fourth child of Queen Victoria, died in London at the age of 91 years. Her husband, then Marquess of Lorne, was Governor-General of Canada from 1878 to 1883, and the Province (then "territory") of Alberta and Lake Louise were named in her honor.

Provision of an adequate water supply for irrigation by storage in the C.P.R. canal system at Lethbridge is sought by Lethbridge Federal C.J.A.; Judah Local recommends amendment of the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Act to strike out the provision for the one per cent per annum levy.

Reports of a satisfactory year's operations were presented to the annual meeting of the Calgary and District Milk Producers' Association. George E. Church was re-elected president; other directors are L. E. Hayes, John Fairweather, J. D. McLaurin and J. T. Cullen.

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"With a Glance Backward" Dean Howes' Reminiscences

One of the sad things about an unhappy childhood is that there is lost that great source of later enjoyment—the looking back, from maturity and age, upon early experiences, and upon the home of youth. Such recollections for the more fortunate who form the vast majority, have irrestistible charm; the sharing of them with brothers and sisters and old friends, meeting in later life, and the relating of them to younger memthe relating of them to younger members of the family circle, provide a pleasure none the less real because it is run through with a thread of regret for "the days that are no more."

Delightful Story of Childhood

Few of us, however, can tell the story of childhood in so delightful a fashion as Dean E. A. Howes has done in his new book, "With a Glance Backward," (Oxford University Press, Toronto, \$1.50). The story of a busy, interested, happy farm boy is here told; and more than that, a picture of a farm community in the Eastern Townships of Ontario a few decades ago, is given with a good deal of interesting detail. The descriptions of farming operations of that time will interest any farmer, anywhere; but the book has a special charm for those whose memories carry them Delightful Story of Childhood

those whose memories carry them back to a similar scene. Even the hog-pen is made inter-

those whose memories carry them back to a similar scene.

Even the hog-pen is made interesting:

"Our hog-pen was pretentious, as hog-pens go, and was used, like the woodshed, for more than what its name indicated. Downstairs there were, of course, the pens for the swine, each pen having its fragrant trough and its sleeping-place that the pigs seldom frequented. In front of these pens stood a large brick fire-place, called locally an 'arch,' which held, embedded in the brick, a large kettle that had been once used in the making of potash, but that now had been promoted to fill three important functions: boiling pig-feed, heating water to scald the carcasses at time of butchering, and making that infernal brew known as soft soap."

And the orchard—

"Parallel... stretched a line of immense old plum trees, that were gnarled and twisted, and so spiky that a fellow could not climb them. One forgot the crotchety constructions of these trees on two occasions each summer—when they produced their wealth of bloom in the spring, and when the fruit was ripe in early autumn. Truth to tell there were only three of those trees that bore fruit satisfactory to the taste of even a growing boy. Part of the remainder always had something wrong with them at time of maturity; some ripened, as far as colour went, but remained hard, and appeared to enjoy the preference of certain worms; we did not know which was cause and which was effect, so the pigs got those plums. Others ripened, but they were so acrid that they made even the pigs squeal."

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The author is Dean of the College of Agriculture at the University of Alberta, Edmonton. There are attractive illustrations by J. E. Laughlin.—A.M.S.

Out of a total of 25 championships and 61 first prizes brought to Canada from the Chicago International stock and grain show, 3 champions and five firsts were secured by Alberta exhibitors. In addition to Lloyd Rigby and Bill Skladan, Alberta winners included C. R. Daniel, Lethbridge; J. Brindley, Lethbridge; Leslie Bartlett, Vauxhall; E. Lawiska, Willingdon; J. J. Redorak, Willingdon; John Hamilton, Coaldale; W. Justyn Rigby, Wembley; L. A. Dalaire, Jr., Mallaig.

The California Fruit Growers' Exchange (Sunkist) handled during the year ending October 31st over 75 per cent of all citrus fruits marketed in California and Arizona.

A CHANGING SITUATION

Wheat prices have risen recently under several influences. One is increased shipments of Canadian wheat, both to Great Britain and to European neutrals.

Also important have been the comparatively small crop produced in Argentina, and very poor prospects for the winter wheat crop in the United States.

Coarse grain prices have advanced because of demand for such grains for feeding, both in Canada and overseas.

What prices will do during the remainder of the crop year will depend both on weather in different parts of the world, and on the course of the war.

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COURTESY, AND OTHER THINGS

Dear Farm Women:

I am not going to write on any one subject in particular, but I am going to record several things which have impressed themselves on my mind

impressed themselves on my mind this week.

First, some one pointed out to me what I had tried to express in one of my letters a short time ago. Mine was done rather poorly but this expressed in concise language just what I meant. It said, "Don't think courtesy is a veneer to gloss over the real you; courtesy is a way of acting that is founded on kindness, consideration and fundamental decency." I think that will bear re-reading many times.

My Neighbor's Woodpile

Another thing that has interested me is my neighbor's wood-pile. It is largely "bucked" but the conical pile so neatly arranged is a work of art and makes me recall a quotation I read last year, to the effect that a well-built wood pile or a tempting apple pie could be as much a work of art as a piece of sculpture or a poem.

One can see in this wood-pile a pride of craftsmanship and know that

One can see in this wood-pile a pride of craftsmanship and know that a feeling went into the work that raised it from mere drudgery. I do not suppose he had any particular desire to saw and pile that wood, but since it was the chore he had to do, he made of it something that is more than the tumbled heap one usually sees. It gives me pleasure every time I see this one.

One thing that amused me was a letter from a girl who had been a student at a teachers' training school. In the course of their work the students

student at a teachers' training school. In the course of their work the students had to visit a school of very small children. In this instance the little ones were having a lesson which was, I think, to help them in their language and enable them to rise and speak without the tongue-tying effect it has on some of us elders. The children were asked to put their heads down on their desks and pretend they were asleep and then they were to rise and tell their dream. All went along as it should and the class in turn rose and each one told their "pretend" dream. Then up rose one very small boy and

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another quotation from where or what I forget at the moment, although I wish I could pay tribute to the person who said it. He wrote that a genius may do more for the world in what he does outside his family, but for the greater number of us the way we affect the next generation in the homes we make, will be the best measure of our usefulness. And that, as well, will bear reading and rereading, I think.

Yours sincerely,

Yours sincerely, H. ZELLA SPENCER.

Activities of Farm Women's Locals

Stavely U.F.W.A. at their last meeting laid plans for their annual St. Patrick's concert; hostesses were Mrs. A. E. Rodgers and Mrs. Norman

Ten tables were played at the recent invitation bridge given by Delia U.F.W.A., which proved an enjoyable evening and helped the Local's finances as well, writes Mrs. Henry Moore, secretary.

"We did enjoy the great privilege of having Mrs. Malloy Berger with us at a meeting at the home of Mrs. J. C. Strang," writes Mrs. E. G. M. Toone, secretary of Starline U.F. W.A., "though a bad storm cut short a lovely afternoon, as all wished to get away home." Mrs. John Strang has been elected president for the coming year, Mrs. Bruce Simpson vice-president, Miss Madeline Brown secretary-treasurer.

Fairdonian Valley U.F.W.A. plan to work for the Red Cross, to obtain books from the Frances Bateman Library and to take advantage of the correspondence course in home econ-omics offered by the Alberta Extension

Over two hundred attended the annual supper and social held by Okotoks U.F.W.A., with buffalo meat holding an important place on the menu, reports Miss N. K. Mundell. There was a short program, and interesting slides were shown of a trip from Edmonton to the World's Fair at New York.

Warden U.F.WA. at their last meeting made plans to raise Red Cross funds, and also arranged for the Sunshine Pal party when all the women of the community were invited to meet for a Christmas program and exchange of Christmas gifts. With a paid-up membership of 16, this Local has had good meetings throughout the year, reports Mrs. R. Price; the program drawn up by the Provincial Executive is used, the bulletins are a regular feature, and a paper or talk is given on the day's topic. During the year contributions were made to the Cancer fund, and to the fund for veterans of the Spanish war; the Local organized a committee to visit the sick of the district, helped with showers, and gave gifts to new babies. One dance was held, and a birthday

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The artistes are sometime erratic, Inclined, more or less, to be shy. pplause though is wildly ecstatic And everyone always gets by. he show is our own and not any Small star would we give in a trade For Baker or Bergen or Benny Or Lux on parade.

Old Santa, whose pack shows more hollows

Than bulges these days, comes

along. He puts on his act and there follows The dance which is soon going strong.

The fun all too swiftly is ended And homeward our horses we turn, With hopes that the home-fires, untended,

Continued to burn!

ISA GRINDLAY JACKSON

party, in honor of Miss Rowe. Mrs. Winifred Ross spoke at the anniversary meeting in July, and a demonstration was sponsored, with Miss Eva Lee in charge.

We much regret to record the death of Mr. G. E. Toone of Claresholm. His widow, Mrs. Toone, has been secretary of the Claresholm U.F.W.A. for many years.

Two of the eggs were bad, and the lady had taken them back to the grocery store.

"That's all right, ma'am," said the clerk. "You didn't need to bring them back. Your word is just as good as the eggs."

(Convention News page 12.)

Farm Home and Garden

Roast Turkey: Wash turkey after drawing, rinse and dry well; rub inside with salt or piece of lemon. Use 3/4 cup dressing for each pound of turkey; pack in loosely and sew up openings with string; truss bird by turning tops of wings under back and pressing legs close to body. Hold in place by inserting one skewer under wings, and another under legs; then tie with cord. Rub the bird with fat and place on rack or crossed skewers in roasting pan. Roast in moderate oven, allowing 20 minutes per pound. Baste every half hour with mixture of 1/4 cup fat to 1 cup hot water.

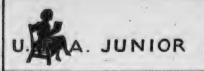
Turkey Dressing: Mix 4 cups soft.

Turkey Dressing: Mix 4 cups soft, stale bread crumbs with 1 lb. chopped sausage meat, 2 tablespoons savory and 4 tablespoons minced onion, 3 teaspoons salt and a small teaspoon pepper; add 2 beaten eggs and 1 cup melted butter.

Steamed Apple Pudding: Pare, core and slice 6 apples into buttered pudding dish, and mix well with 1 cup sugar and a little cloves. Make a batter of 1 cup flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 cup milk, 1/3 cup sugar and 2 tablespoons butter (or 1/3 cup finely









Win Championships at Chicago





Two members of Alberta Junior Grain Clubs, F. Lloyd Rigby of Wembley (21 years old) (left) and Bill Skladan of Andrew (20 years old) (right) brought distinction to themselves and the Province at the Chicago International Hay and Grain Show, held this month. Mr. Rigby was for the second time crowned Wheat King of the world and Mr. Skladan was crowned Oats King. Both winners have been members of Junior grain clubs, of which the Wheat Clubs are sponsored by the Alberta Wheat Pool and the Oats Clubs by the United Grain Growers. Mr. Rigby and his parents and a brother are active U.F.A. workers. He brought the wheat championship to Alberta for the seventeenth time in the past twenty-one years.

What's Doing ? at CFAC

Rural Rhythms

By JOHN N. HUNT

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Captain Kidd: We've waited for this—you've waited for it. It is truly the most thrilling sensation of the air. The sound of swishing cutlasses, scraping salvres, exploding pistols; men with ear-rings and ugly scars on their faces, dressed in true pirate fashion. Such is the type of show we bring you, starting this Monday at 5:45 p.m., in the case of "Captain Kidd."

If you are panicky, squeamish, or have a weak heart, don't listen to this show. We know it will set chills running up and down your spine and make you shiver; but we are certain it will make you wish you were out oh a sailing ship of yore, sailing the seven seas with Captain Kidd. And, while you're at it, don't forget that little Christmas gift problem. Captain Kidd will tell you how to solve it.

Ramblings.—Would you believe it?
We didn't either, but our Pi nist, Jack
Toulson, who entertains you Monday,
Wednesday, and Friday nights at
6:15 on the Alberta Furniture program,
a native of Vancouver, tells us that
he has been in London, Paris, the
French Riviera, and a great number of
European centres. The way he gets
music out of that piano keyboard
leads us to believe that his knowledge is far reached. And then, when
he is playing a rhumba or a Paris
Cafe song, or even a good old American

chepped suet). Spread over apples, steam 35 minutes.
Shortbread: Mix and knead half a pound of butter with 4 cups flour, 1/2 cup sugar, the yolk of one egg, and a pinch of salt. Bake in moderate oven; sprinkle with sugar, and prick with a fork.
Seed Cake: Cream 1 cup butter with 2 small cups sugar and the yolks of 4 eggs. Sift 3 cups flour with 3 teaspoons baking powder and a little salt, and combine with first mixture and 1 cup milk; add 3 teaspoons carraway seeds and lastly fold in stiffly beaten whites of the eggs. Bake in a moderate oven 1 to 1-1/2 hours.

dance tune, his mind reaches out to one of these spots where he has trav-elled, and his fingers carry out over the air a true interpretation of the

music.
We don't know, but anyway, you listen Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 6:15 and tell us what you

James Hilton, author of "Goodbye, Mr. Chips," a guest during the Lux Radio Theatre version of his play, explained to Cecil B. DeMille that there is really no Mr. Chips, but his own father, a schoolmaster, comes very close to being the original. "Why?" asked Mr. DeMille. "Because," responded Hilton, "he would be the first to deny that he is anything like him."

Lou Holtz will remember his second Kraft Music Hall broadcast of the season as 60 minutes of hopping from piano stool to piano stool during the show. Four pianos were on the stage. While not working at the microphone, Holtz watched the show from one of the piano stools. Every time he seated himself, a pianist came along and wanted to use that piano, keeping Holtz on the go.

Juniors to Hold Banquet **During Convention Week**

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It is hoped that as many Junior Locals as possible will be represented at the Convention. Every Junior delegate is entitled to speak on the floor of the senior convention, and to vote on the resolutions. In recent years Juniors have been taking increasing advantage of their privileges, and have made important contributions to the debates.

Brought Greetings Junior U.F.A. to United Farm Young People of Ontario

Writing from Toronto on the recent conventions of the U.F.O. and United Farm People of Ontario, Elvins Y. Spencer, M.Sc., states in a recent letter to The Western Farm Leader: "I must say I enjoyed being back at a Convention again. Miss Macphail was very pleased with the Convention and thinks there is new life awakening."

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Mr. Spencer, former vice-president of the Junior U.F.A., is now teaching at the University of Toronto. He brought greetings, at the request of the Alberta organization, from the Junior U.F.A. to the United Farm Young People of Ontario. He was impressed, he wrote, by the president of the U.F.Y.P.O., whom he met on this occasion. Mr. Spencer is the son of Henry E. Spencer of Edgerton, former member of Parliament for Battle River.

Thirty-nine attended the last meeting of Ranfurly Juniors, to discuss winter activities; the girls meet by themselves once a month to do sewing. Recently Miss Milne and Mr. Bentley from the Vermilion School of Agriculture spoke to the young people on the work of the Junior Clubs.

Dr. Susan," is really crippled now. In the CBS air show Dickie fell through the floor of a deserted house and broke his legs. Just the other day while riding his bicycle to school, Tommy almost duplicated his trick on the radio by arguing with a stone wall and ending up with a deep cut on his ankle. Now he limps both on and off the air.

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Tommy Hughes, who plays the part of the young boy Dickie in the Lux serial, "The Life and Love of "Who Is It" Bill Alland, (2) "What and I'm not going to stand for it."

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"But my dear," exclaimed the geace-loving husband, "you've been talking for an hour, and I have not said a word."
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Is It" Everett Sloane, (3) "Why Is It" Dick Wilson, and (4) "What Have You" Orson Welles. . . Actor Ray Collins was appointed Official Trimmer. Actor Dick Wilson, whose beard has grown a scant .000015 of an inch since Sept. 1, was fined one dollar and threatened with violence.

Rumsey U.F.A. Local has been reorganized with Chris Clausen as president, Bruce Scott vice-president, and Allan Gibson secretary.

R. Pearie and C. H. Davis are officers pro tem of the new Burntlee U.F.A. Local, near Whitelaw.

Asking that farmers receive the same treatment as manufacturers—production costs, plus a fair profit—Elmworth U.F.A. Local passed a resolution at their last meeting which was forwarded to the Federal Minister of Agriculture, Hon. J. G. Gardiner.

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25th Anniversary of United Farm Women Will Be Celebrated

Highlight of the United Farm Women's Convention, to be held at the same time as that of the U.F.A., will be the celebration of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the formation of the U.F.W.A. at a banquet at the Corona Hotel on the evening of Tuesday, January 16th, at 6:30. Many past officers of the U.F.W.A. will be present, and the women's organization is looking forward to a large attendance of those who in the past have carried on its work in their own communities as well as of delegates and visitors.

Would Delete 5000-Bus. Limit

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Asking that the 5,000-bushel limit
be deleted from the Wheat Board
regulations; that the provisions of
Alberta marketing legislation be
amended to make approval by a twotbirds majority necessary before any
industry be brought under a board,
two important resolutions were passed
by the Alberta Board of Trade and
Agriculture, meeting in Red Deer this
week. J. B. Holden, Vegreville, is
president and Lew Hutchinson, Duhamel, is a member of the Council.

World Wheat Situation

The Argentina wheat crop has been ruined by the vicissitudes of the weather and now it is estimated the outturn will be only 136 million bushels. This figure looks very low, being 200 million bushels under the prospective crop at the end of September.

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October floods and early December frosts combined to ruin the Argentina crop, and it seems certain that the outturn cannot be much more than 150 million bushels at the best. Har-

150 million bushels at the best. Harvesting operations are extending southward and yields are disappointing.

Up to the first part of this week the long drought over the United States hard winter wheat region was persistent. Never has that region experienced so dry an autumn, and never has the winter wheat prospect

perienced so dry an autumn, and never has the winter wheat prospect appeared so poor.

The Australian crop seems to have improved, and the estimate of yield has jumped once more to 180 million bushels. That country will have a substantial exportable surplus if this estimate is accurate. But the difficulty will be to get it transported to overseas markets.

Western Canada has experienced the finest autumn weather in fifty years, but little moisture has fallen, and the warmth and the prevalent winds have drained out the reserves. This augurs ill for a good crop next year unless heavy spring rains occur.

It may be seen from the above resume that the wheat situation has changed drastically and the price trend has been upward. The biggest thearish" factor is the large available supplies throughout the world. The Canadian visible is 350 million bushels. The world carryover next July will be around 1,400 million.

Grain Marketing Subject Convention Resolutions

Covering a wide field of agricultural interests and dealing with many aspects of citizenship and its responsibilities, resolutions for the Annual Convention of the U.F.A. submitted to date have been mailed to all Locals for discussion during the part for for discussion during the next few

Wheat Marketing and Grading

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Wheat marketing and wheat grading are subjects of numerous resolutions. White Swan Local (Berwyn) asks that the initial price for wheat be set at \$1 a bushel; Judah U.F.A. recommends a minimum of \$1 at the local elevator on a maximum of one thousand bushels, cost to be met by levy on goods processed from farm products; Griffin Creek asks an increase of 20 cents from the present Board initial price; Acadia asks a "Fixed price to cover average costs of production", as does Lake Eliza Local.

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of production, as does have held Local.

Springbank urges pegging of the price of coarse grains; Gwynne opposes raising the 5,000 bushel limit on wheat delivered to the Wheat Board; and proposes "that parity of prices for all farm products" be assured in any regulation of commodity prices.

Lethbridge Federal Constituency Association states agents declare that wheat outside irrigated areas is given better grades than wheat grown in irrigated land, and asks the Board of Grain Commissioners to "investigate this condition through processing," while it protests the rejection of wheat for sweet clover taint until it has been proved that such taint is injurious to milling qualities.

Conscription of Wealth

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Conscription of wealth if manpower
is conscripted is urged by Waterhole
U.F.W.A., while White Swan U.F.A.
proposes a referendum be taken before
manpower is conscripted for overseas
service.

Douglas McDonald, miners' Funion official, won the recent by election in Nova Scotia for the C.C.F.

Livestock Markets Review

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, Dec. 12th.—The cattle market is generally steady with good butcher steers at \$6 to \$6.50, common to medium \$5 to \$5.75; good light heifers \$5.75 to \$6.25, common to medium and heavies \$4.50 to \$5.50; good to choice fed calves \$6.50 to \$7; good cows \$4 to \$4.25; canners and cutters \$2.50 to \$3; good heavy bulls \$4 to \$4.25, common to medium \$3.50 to \$3.75. Good to choice veal calves are \$6.50 to \$7.50; good stocker and feeder steers \$5.50 to \$5.75, common to medium \$4.50 to \$5.75, common to medium \$4.50 to \$5.25. Hogs are selects \$8.50, bacons \$8 and butchers \$7 off trucks. Good lambs are \$8.25.

EDMONTON STOCYARDS, Dec. 12th—Trading is rather slow on the cattle market with good to choice fed calves at \$6.50 to \$7; good to choice steers \$5.75 to \$6.25, common to medium \$3.50 to \$5.50; good to choice heifers \$5.25 to \$6, common to medium \$3.50 to \$5; good to choice cows \$3.75 to \$4.25; canners and cutters \$2.50 down; bulls \$3 to \$4. Stockers and feeders are steady, better quality steers selling at \$4 to \$5.50; heifers mostly \$5 down and stock cows \$3.75 down; good to choice lightweight calves \$8.50 to \$9. Hogs are \$8.60 for selects, \$8.10 for bacons and \$7.10 for butchers, off trucks.

Dairy Market

The butter market on the whole is very inactive, due in large measure to the fact that everyone is awaiting final stock figures. Toronto is now quoted at 28, Montreal 28-1/4, with Winnipeg slightly higher at 26-1/2. Production reports in the Southern part of the Province show an increase over last year's figure. Local prices are unchanged with first grade prints at 29 cents and special grade butter fat at 25 cents.

Express Appreciation of "Leader" Features

"I am enclosing \$1 for our renewal subscription to The Western Farm Leader. Will you please send me the Christmas cards offered as a premium? We thoroughly appreciate all of the various features of your paper and particularly those letters by Geo. K. MacShane, articles by Watson Thomson, M.A., and your own editorials dealing with the Peace which is to be established after this war. One of our greatest tasks at the present time is to build up an educated public opinion which will demand a settlement of world, affairs that will allow for true co-operation and permanent peace. I wish to commend you on the good work you are doing for this cause and as always we wish you every success." — Mrs. Russell Johnston, Helmsdale.

L. C. Charlesworth has again been appointed manager of the Eastern Irrigation District, by the newly elected

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officers of the U.F.W.A. will be present, and the women's organization is looking forward to a large attendance of those who in the past have carried on its work in their own communities as well as of delegates and visitors. Dr. McLatchie's Address Dr. Lola McLatchie of the Calgary Clinical Laboratory, will speak at the U.F.W.A. Convention on Tuesday afternoon on "Cancer." On Thursday of "Women and Law." Earn One of These



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Will Have to Act Soon

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Old Timer.—I cannot fully understand your letter. I gather a creditor holds a mortgage made by the debtor in 1927 on which nothing has been paid. The creditor will have to take action soon, otherwise the mortgage may be outlawed. I advise the creditor to make an application to the Debt Adjustment Board for permission to commence foreclosure proceedings. This will probably force an adjustment and renewal of the mortgage and save it from being outlawed.

Dispute re Implement Purchased

J.J.C.—There is apparently a dis-

"B" Can Start Foreclosure Proceedings

J.E.O.—A Mr. A bought the farm from Mr. B in April of this year. He has no protection either under the Debt Adjustment Act or the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act. If he does not make the required payments under the agreement for sale, Mr. B can commence foreclosure proceedings and the only protection to Mr. A would be such extension as the Court might give him on application in the foreclosure proceedings.

Obtaining Letters Probate

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F.J.G.—If the value of the property is under \$400.00, the person named in the will as the executor can have the necessary papers for probate prepared by the clerk of the court in his district; in your case in the District Court at Calgary. If the value is over \$400.00 you should retain a lawyer to apply for letters probate. It is not possible to state a usual fee, as the fees allowed a solicitor for obtaining letters probate will depend upon the value of the property. Letters probate will first have to be obtained by the executor named in the will, after which the executor will be able to transfer the land to the beneficiary named in the will.

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When this dividend has been com-

on October 31st.
When this dividend has been completed, U.F.A. Central Co-operative Association will have returned to local units and members since 1932, more than \$105,000.

than \$105,000.

Considering the fact that these units have not been required to invest a single dollar of capital in the central organization and that the whole work was originally done on fees of U.F.A. members and in years of depression for agriculture, this is regarded as a considerable achievement.

The Cooperative Association har-

may be outlawed. I advise the creditor to make an application to the Debt Adjustment Board for permission to commence foreclosure proceedings. This will probably force an adjustment and renewal of the mortgage and save it from being outlawed.

Dispute re Implement Purchased

J.J.C.—There is apparently a dispute between yourself and the vendor of the implement as to whether it was a satisfactory machine. If this cannot be settled in a friendly way, then your only alternative is an action against the vendor for a return of the money paid. I advise you to consult a solicitor who can advise you as to your chances of success after obtaining the facts more fully than set out in your letter. As the action would probably be in the Red Deer Court it would be advisable to consult solicitors in that city.

The Co-operative Association handles a good many of the principal flows of farm supplies exclusive of farm supplies exclusive of farm supplies a good many of the principal lines of farm supplies exclusive of farm field implements. In conjunction with United Grain Growers Limited, the Association is among the largest limited of farm field implemen

C. A. D. P. SECTION (from page 6)

We hoped and prayed for Peace, but is it not possible that a greater good than even the avoidance of War may be granted us? We must see to it that the Peace we get really is Peace. The true end of the War must be made to mean the utter impossibility of a recurrence of any such conflagration.

And so, at this time, let me wish all of you that Peace of Mind which comes from well doing, that you may be happy this Christmas-time in the thought that although we are at war there was no other recourse; happy also in the thought that we are permitted to strive for Peace, for the sake of HUMANITY and for our children's sake, even more than for ourselves. If out of this struggle we can but make this world safe for Democracy, no price can be too great.

I would not dare hazard a guess as to the duration of this conflict, but we each may pray that it will not last long and that 1940 will see the end of all such tragedies. In the meantime, as we plan now for Peace, we must make sure that it will be permanent, it must not be just another pause between wars. Let each of us strive to do his bit to usher in the Dawn of a New Era which will bring to Humanity the full fruition of that cry which has resounded down through the Ages: "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Man." the Ages: "Will to Man."

Will to Man."

Set forth in the morning at the dawning of the Year,

Take the road that lies ahead with courage, faith and cheer,

Songs upon your laughing lips and joy within your Soul,

ONWARD to the future and the glory of the goal!

of the goal!

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"The CBC on behalf of its listeners has undertaken to investigate co-operation in Canada," it is announced in a statement giving dates of a series of eight broadcasts to be heard on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. Mountain Standard Time, commencing January 3rd next. Albertans will be interested to know that George G. Coote will give the concluding broadcast on February 20th.

For the benefit of our readers we publish a description of the first three broadcasts below and will give a Farmers' Co-operative Company, editor of the Rural Co-operator, Vice-president Canadian Chamber of Commerce.

January 10th, "Co-operation in Bois, Assistant General Manager Co-operative leaders.

January 17th, "Consumers' Co-operative Union of Canada and Director United Farmers' Co-operative Co. "The CBC on behalf of its listeners

further list in our next issue:
January 3rd, "Co-operative Philosophy and Outlook,"—Interview with
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Joins New Division

WINNIPEG, Dec. 11th.—T. B. Pickersgill, M.Sc., agricultural editor of the Weekly Market News, secretary-treasurer of the Canadian Society of Technical Agriculturists and of the Canadian Society of Animal Production (Western Section), has been appointed assistant to Dr. K. W. Neatby director of the newly formed agricultural division of the North-West Grain Dealers' Association, it was announced here today.

Mr. Pickersgill lived on a farm at Ashern, Man., until 1925. He obtained his B.S.A. degree at Manitoba University; has specialized in agronomy and has been employed in the soils department of the University.

MINTOURISHE CARGARI MIOVIE

"Ford—In Back Door to Heaveen."—Oh, Henry!

"Anti-Aircraft Buns Boomed Over the Thames Estuary."—From a Texaco Newscast. No doubt they thought that owing to the British blockade the raiders were hungry.

Magazine article states that China has a "newspaper that is 1400 years old." Now we know where some of those special correspondents are picking up their news items.

Our idea of something or other is a wealthy brewer donating a thousand dollars for the erection of a drinking fountain.

spondent of the Manchester Guardian. "Many persons suspected of listening to foreign broadcasts, have been arrested and executed. . . The Gestapo has given the public to understand that anyone found with a leaflet dropped by a British aeroplane in his possession will be shot. In the Palatinate and in Oldenberg, for example, these leaflets lie scattered far and wide, over the fields and in the forest. But people dare not pick any up. Nevertheless, numerous arrests have been made."

The Calgary Stampeders still hold string, but the Coal City Club has had first place in the Alberta Senior Hockey to trust Mother Nature for her ice Loop, with Turner Valley in second and so far the fickle lady has let them place and pushing hard for top honors.

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By SYDNEY MAY

Hello, Folks!

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Li'l Goldilocks, our office vamp, tells us she is now engaged in a red hot "mind over matter" flirtation with Knotty Frankie. Yep, she doesn't mind and he doesn't matter.

SIGN OUTSIDE CALGARY MOVIE "Ford—In Back Door to Heaven."—Oh, Henry!

"Anti-Aircraft Buns Boomed Over Jam."—headline in a Vancouver pathe Thames Estuary."—From a Texper. Ah, they stopped in order to aco Newscast. No doubt they thought that owing to the British blockade the raiders were hungry.

ALBERTA LIMERICKS

THIS IS TERRIBLE "Have you heard the Bee Song?" "No, how does it go?" "Of thee I Sting!"

According to the Nazi short-wave station, "In war today all rules should be waived." O.K., Herr Hitler, but remember that Britannia Still Rules The Waives.

WE GET CAUGHT
It was one of those nice bright
autumn mornings and brother
Devlin sidled up to us and asked

sweetly: "How would you like to go for a drive?" "We certainly should," we re-

plied unsuspectingly.

"All right," said he and he handed us a hammer and a ten-

Nevertheless, it cannot be denied, that the war has shown that a lot of guys who hold the reins of office have never learned how to drive.

OH, THESE ANNOUNCERS

"After raiding the southeast of England a German plane was shot down and is believed to have fallen into the sea BEFORE it reached the coast."—From a radio newscast.

Orchids to radio Station 2RO, Rome, Italy, for its unbiased and unpadded news reports on the European situation. Also for its entertainment programs of music that is music.

Fashion note intimates that a Parirasinon note intimates that a Parisian firm has invented a new kind of corset which will bring back the wasp waist. Of corset'll mean that the dear girls are going to be stung again.

ADD SIMILES As useful as a one piece bathing suit in the Sahara Desert.

You can't thumb a free ride on the road to success.

There may be plenty of parking space on Easy Street, but most of us haven't got the right kind of car to get us there.

Strange as it may sound, says the Bad Egg from Crow's Nest, a lot of awest patooties have sour dispositions.

ISN'T IT THE TRUTH?

Economy is something that a politician expects everybody else to practise except himself.

CAN SHE MEAN US?

According to a British scientist, "too many old men are in business." Yeb, but maybe, says Fern of Fernie, who is a stenog., they still have young

Postcard from A.G. of Ogden states that out in Hollywood the gals think they can get divorce lessons from a co-respondent's course.

INFORMATION DEPARTMENT Nunno, Alice, Darling, a "full back" is not a drunken football player.

(Jarrow)
Now Tessie McHickupp of Jarrow,
She strayed from the path that
was narrow;
And the wine that was red
Went right to her head,
So they brought her home on a

People who live in glasshouses ought to be able to say it with flowers.

ADVICE DEPARTMENT

A youth who insists on sowing his wild oats usually turns out to be a poor farmer.

London writer states that after making numerous experiments he has discovered that not one girl in a hundred knows how to say "no" properly. We wonder what he asked 'em.

WHAT THE HEL-INSKI?

And we just know that Wilf Bennett of the Albertan's Wake is just itching to say something to the effect that if Russia doesn't quit Stalin, it'll be her Finnish

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HARK, DEM BELLS!

"Here is wishing you the best of luck and hope to keep your paper as long as I will be able to read," states J. A. Bale, Oyen, forwarding his subscription subscription.

Not only in the British army, but in the navy as well, increased opportunities are being provided for promotion from the ranks. The first plan to widen the door for promotion from the lower deck to commissioned ranks was introduced by Winston Churchill when he was First Lord of the Admiralty during the last war. For special reasons it was abandoned, but a new plan has now been introduced by Churchill.

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"Whereas the livelihood and wellwhereas the livelinood and well-being of the people of Western Canada depends primarily upon the measure of economic security enjoyed by the farmer; and whereas the farmers, through the medium of their various through the medium of their various and the statement of the stateme through the medium of their various organizations, are urging the establishment of legislation guaranteeing a parity price for agricultural products; and whereas the well-being of the workers depends primarily upon the well-being of agriculture here in the West; therefore, be it resolved that this meeting of the Saskatoon Joint Council of Railway Unions strongly endorses and supports the demand of the farmers that the Federal and Provincial Governments take the necessary steps to establish parity prices for farm products."

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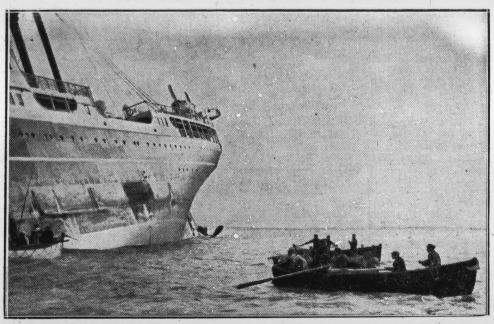
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The liner was making her way into the port of London when the explosion occurred. All aboard, 200, were saved, even a passenger's pet dog taking to the boats. The disaster happened within a short distance of the spot where the Dutch liner Simon Bolivar went down.

Canadian Headquarters Now Established in London



While intensive training of the Canadian Active Service force is being continued and organization of the First Overseas division completed, Brigadier H. D. G. Crerar and his headquarters staff are busy in England preparing the way for the Canadian troops who will join the Allied forces. This is a scene in the newly established Canadian headquarters in London, which is today a hive of activity.

Writes Reminiscences



Dean Howes of the College of Agriculture, University of Alberta, whose reminiscences of his early life in the East have just been published under the title, "With a Glance Backward." See page 9.

Nerves in the Balkans



Tension continues in the Balkans, slightly relieved now by reason of the fighting elsewhere. Bessarabia (shaded area) was seized from Russia by Rumania after the last Great War. It is reported that Rumania has not attempted to defend the new frontier strongly, but might withdraw to strong positions on the old line should Russians seek to take Bessarabia.

New Canadian Monsignor



Rt. Rev. J. V. Harris, chancellor in temporalibus of the archdiocese of Toronto, who has just been raised to the position of a member of the papal household. The new monsignor has been with Archbishop McGuigan since student days.